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Title: **OTHER**

FUEL FEED APPARATUS HAVING CONDUCTIVE MEMBERS GROUNDED EACH

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Examiner: Miller, Carl Stuart

Date: May 3, 2006

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

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Applicant claims "small entity" status.

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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116

Responsive to the Official Action dated March 7, 2006, kindly enter the following amendment and remarks.